

Education Programs

At Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore



Reserve a Ranger-Led Program

Call 219-926-7561 x 243.

Learn more about education programs

Visit www.nps.gov/indu/forteachers.

E-mail INDU_Education@nps.gov.

Attend Day-Use Programs

Park rangers at Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore lead free, one to three-hour programs throughout the park. Organized groups can choose from a variety of experiences such as hiking to the top of Mount Baldy, exploring the Miller Woods oak savannas, following in a fur trader's footsteps, and feeding the Chellberg farm animals. The following hands-on programs help teachers meet state content standards.



Discover

- The Chellbergs Had a Farm
- Talk with the Animals
- Autumn Harvest
- Mount Baldy
- West Beach Walk
- Maple Sugar Time
- Fall Fanfare
- Winter Exploration
- Potawatomis & Fur Traders
- A Grain of Truth
- Lake Michigan Alive
- Water World
- Habitat Hike
- Reflections on Snow
- Pinhook Bog
- Secrets of Succession
- Dunes SCOPES

For program descriptions, goals, seasonal availability, grade appropriateness, locations, and length, please call the park or visit the park's official website.

Explore the Park on Your Own



Many educators wish to bring their groups to the dunes on their own. National Lakeshore activity guides are available at www.nps.gov/indu/forteachers/lessonplansandteacherguides.htm. Interactive games, such as the Web Ranger Challenge at www.nps.gov/indu/forteachers/onlinegames.htm, are recommended to help students prepare for their visit to the National Lakeshore.

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Dunes Learning Center Residential Programs



Indiana Dunes Environmental Learning Center provides residential environmental education programs within the National Lakeshore. Programs are available for 4th grade and beyond. Participants stay overnight in cabins. For details, visit www@duneslearningcenter.org; or call 219-395-9555 for more information and to reserve a program.

Teacher Workshops

The National Lakeshore partners with education institutions to provide professional development opportunities within the park. Year-round workshops focus on various themes. Educators can earn graduate credit through local universities for their participation. For a list of upcoming workshops, visit www.nps.gov/indu/forteachers/professionaldevelopment.htm, or contact the national park at 219-926-7561 x243.



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Classroom Resources



Great Lakes Research
and Education Center

The Great
Lakes
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Center,
located
within the
National

Lakeshore, loans videos and traveling trunks to regional educators. These curricular materials are loaned without charge; however, educators must pick them up and return them to the park. For a complete list of available resources, visit www.nps.gov/indu/forteachers/materialsforloan.htm, or contact the Center at 219-926-7561, x290.

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